IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) In a communication device, a method for initiating a group call in a group communication network, the method comprising:

receiving a member list from a user;[[and]]

sending a request to a server to initiate the group call based on the received member list;[[.]]

receiving a response from the server indicating that said initiating the group call is in progress;

alerting the user to provide media; and

buffering the media for transmission after a traffic channel is re-established.

Claims 2-3 (canceled).

4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said sending includes transmitting the request on a reverse access channel (R-ACH) of a wireless network.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said sending includes transmitting the request on a reverse enhanced access channel (R-EACH) of a wireless network.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1, further including re-establishing traffic channel for the communication device.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1, further including re-establishing traffic channel for the communication device simultaneously with said sending the request.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1, further including renegotiating a radio link protocol (RLP) for the communication device.

9. (Original) The method of claim 1, further including renegotiating a radio link protocol (RLP) for the communication device simultaneously with said sending the request.

10. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said sending includes transmitting the request in short data burst (SDB) form.

11. (Currently amended) In a communication device, a computer-readable medium embodying a method for initiating a group call in a group communication network, the method comprising:

receiving a member list from a user; [[and]]

sending a request to a server to initiate the group call based on the received member list;[[.]

receiving a response from the server indicating that said initiating the group call is in progress;

alerting the user to provide media; and

buffering the media for transmission after a traffic channel is re-established.

Claims 12-13 (canceled)

14. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein said sending includes transmitting the request on a reverse access channel (R-ACH) of a wireless network.

15. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein said sending includes transmitting the request on a reverse enhanced access channel (R-EACH) of a wireless network.

16. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein the method further includes re-establishing traffic channel for the communication device.

17. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein the method further includes re-establishing traffic channel for the communication device simultaneously with said sending the request.

18. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein said method further includes renegotiating a radio link protocol (RLP) for the communication device.

19. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein said method further includes renegotiating a radio link protocol (RLP) for the communication device simultaneously with said transmitting the request.

20. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein said sending includes transmitting the request in short data burst (SDB) form.

21. (Currently amended) A communication device for initiating a group call in a group communication network, comprising:

means for receiving a member list from a user; [[and]]

means for sending a request to a server to initiate the group call based on the received member list;[[.]]

means for receiving a response from the server indicating that said initiating the group call is in progress;

means for alerting the user to provide media; and

means for buffering the media for transmission after a traffic channel is re-established.

Claims 22-23 (canceled).

24. (Original) The communication device of claim 21, wherein said means for sending includes means for transmitting the request on a reverse access channel (R-ACH) of a wireless network.

25. (Original) The communication device of claim 21, wherein said means for sending includes means for transmitting the request on a reverse enhanced access channel (R-EACH) of a wireless network.

26. (Original) The communication device of claim 21, further including means for re-establishing traffic channel for the communication device.

27. (Original) The communication device of claim 21, further including means for re-establishing traffic channel for the communication device simultaneously with said sending the request.

28. (Original) The communication device of claim 21, further including means for renegotiating a radio link protocol (RLP) for the communication device.

29. (Original) The communication device of claim 21, further including means for renegotiating a radio link protocol (RLP) for the communication device simultaneously with said transmitting the request.

30. (Original) The communication device of claim 21, wherein said means for sending includes means for transmitting the request in short data burst (SDB) form.

31. (Currrently amended) A communication device for initiating a call in a group communication network, the communication device comprising:

a receiver;

a transmitter;[[and]]

a processor communicatively coupled to the receiver and the transmitter, the processor being capable of:

receiving a member list from a user;[[and]]

sending a request to a server to initiate the group call based on the received member list;[[.]]

receiving a response from the server indicating that said initiating the group call is in progress;

alerting the user to provide media; and

buffering the media for transmission after a traffic channel is re-established.

Claims 32-33 (canceled).

34. (Original) The communication device of claim 31, the processor further being capable of transmitting the request on a reverse access channel (R-ACH) of a wireless network.

35. (Original) The communication device of claim 31, the processor further being capable of transmitting the request on a reverse enhanced access channel (R-EACH) of a wireless network.

36. (Original) The communication device of claim 31, the processor further being capable of re-establishing traffic channel for the communication device.

37. (Original) The communication device of claim 31, the processor further being capable of re-establishing traffic channel for the communication device simultaneously with said sending the request.

38. (Original) The communication device of claim 31, the processor further being capable of renegotiating a radio link protocol (RLP) for the communication device.

39. (Original) The communication device of claim 31, the processor further being capable of renegotiating a radio link protocol (RLP) for the communication device simultaneously with said transmitting the request.

40. (Original) The communication device of claim 31, the processor further being capable of transmitting the request in short data burst (SDB) form.